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Cottonwood Creek Distribution System

Annual Water Users Meeting

February 10, 1988

The annual meeting of the Cottonwood Creek Distribution System was held in Castle Dale, Utah on February 10, 1988. Chairman, Eugene Johansen called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. There were no copies of the minutes from the 1987 meeting available to be read.

Mr. Lee Sim, Directing Engineer for Distribution with the Division of Water Rights, Salt Lake City, read the financial statement. As of December 31, 1987, there was \$3554.50 in the trust account. Mr. Sim noted that this amount did not include approximately \$300.00 interest earned by the account in 1987. He indicated that a computer program has been modified to compute the interest earned. When that has been done, a copy of the updated financial statement will be sent to Mr. Johansen. There were no delinquent accounts. Total receipts for the year were \$8500.00, with total expenditures of \$8194.72. Clyde Magnuson reported that of the \$300.00 budgeted for the preparation of the annual report, \$150.00 was used for that purpose. The remaining amount must have been spent for the purchase of a filing cabinet in 1987. Jay Humphrey made a motion to accept the financial statement as read. The motion was seconded and carried.

Clyde Magnuson, Commissioner, reported that during 1987, 33,285 acre feet of water was used for irrigation purposes on Cottonwood Creek. UP&L used 10,488 acre feet, and 10,584 acre feet was delivered through the Cottonwood-Huntington Canal. On January 1, 1988, Joe's Valley Reservoir contained 44,940 acre feet. This is 1920 acre feet less than on January 1, 1987. Mr. Magnuson stated that the system is generally in good condition, but some work is still needed at the head of Western Canal. Snow pack at the station operated by the SCS showed approximately 90% of normal. A motion was made by John Jorgensen and seconded by Jay Humphrey to accept the commissioner's report as given. The motion carried.

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The budget for 1988 was the next item of business. Mr. Johansen proposed that the total budget remain at \$8500. John Jorgensen suggested that the Commissioner be given a raise. After some discussion, it was decided that the present salary was adequate. Lee Sim asked if \$150.00 rather than \$300.00 was adequate for the preparation of the annual report. It was decided that it was sufficient. Mr. Sim stated that the rate for social security had increased from 7.15% to 7.51%. It was suggested that since the annual report would only require \$150.00, that the increase in social security tax be taken out of the surplus \$150.00. Any remaining surplus beyond that would be transferred to the miscellaneous account. The budget was set as follows:

Commissioner's Salary	\$5000.00
Matching Social Security Tax	\$375.50
Matching State Retirement	\$650.00
Commissioner's Travel Expense	\$2000.00
Bond	\$50.00
Health and Life Insurance	\$70.00
Annual Report	\$150.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$204.50
Total 1988 Budget	\$8500.00

The total budget will be assessed. A motion was made by John Jorgensen and seconded by Jay Humphrey to accept the budget as prepared. The motion carried.

Mr. Johansen requested that the Division of Water Rights prepare a schedule of assessments based on a percentage of the total assessment (\$8500.00), not based on a percentage of the water owned. Mr. Sim stated he would look into the matter.

The next item of business was to appoint a commissioner for the 1988 water year. A motion was made by John Jorgensen and seconded by Jay Humphrey to retain Clyde Magnuson for another year of service. The motion carried.

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Mr. Jay Humphrey made a motion that the following people serve as the Water Users Committee for 1988:

Eugene Johansen	Emery County Water Cons. District
Carly Burton	Utah Power & Light Company
Gayle Jorgensen	Cottonwood Creek Cons. Irr. Co.
Arthur Olson	Upper Users
Mark Williams	Lower Users

The motion also recommended that Eugene Johansen be retained as Chairman. The motion was seconded by John Jorgensen. The motion carried.

Mr. Sim explained that the Division of Water Rights does their financial books at the end of December each year. The water users meetings are held in February. Therefore, the commissioner is usually paid two or three times in January and February out of the reserve fund, before the new budget has been approved. The question was asked if the committee supported this procedure. It was decided to continue with the procedure that has been used in the past.

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

Those present at the meeting included the following:

Clyde Magnuson	Cottonwood Creek Commissioner
Richard S. Hixon	UP&L
Jay Humphrey	Emery Cy. Water Cons. District
John Jorgensen	Secretary, CCCIC
Eugene Johansen	ECWCD and CCCIC
Lee Baxter	USA Bureau of Reclamation
Lee Sim	Div. of Water Rights - SLC
Blaine Ipson	Div. of Water Rights - Price